

WITH THE MOTION PICTURES

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MILITARY STUDENT NOW "MOVIES" STAR

Arthur Johnston's Career Began
in Iowa School, Where He
Played in "Romeo."

From a military school to the moving picture screen is the history of Arthur Johnston's career. This popular Lubin star is a Cincinnati man, having been born of parents in no way connected with the theatrical profession. His early education was obtained at Kemper Hall, a military school in Davenport, Iowa. It was here that his first histrionic experience was gained, when young Johnston appeared in "Romeo and Juliet," playing the part of Tybalt. He was eighteen at that time. Fourteen years' experience on the stage formed the foundation and sound technique that has been so valuable to Mr. Johnston in later years. He has played almost every character in Shakespeare and the classics, as well as Sherlock Holmes and the modern drama. For many years he was leading man with Robert B. Mantel, Marie Wainwright and Sol Smith Russell. His association with the latter star gave him that sympathy and understanding of character roles which mark his work on the screen today. Five years ago Mr. Johnston was led to enter the motion picture field chiefly because of the summer lull in his engagements, and he immediately established himself as a Biograph favorite. After absorbing all the details of his new work, and having learned the difficulties of acting before the camera, he accepted an offer made by the Reliance Company, with whom he remained for some time.

Scenic Theater Is Gaining New Patrons

The secret of success in any business lies not only in retaining the trade, but in constantly reaching out for more. This policy has been pursued by the management of the Scenic Theater, 230 Wisconsin-avenue northwest, with the result that new patrons are being constantly secured and, better still, held. This is being done by showing the best pictures it is possible to procure, in the best possible manner, in cheerful, comfortable surroundings.

Pictures Bring Foreign Scenes Home Vividly

Geographers and travelers returning from the remotest parts of the world unite in asserting that the moving picture camera is bringing before the eyes of hundreds of thousands of persons scenes of foreign lands, which but for the moving picture film would never be visually grasped by these numerous persons.

THE STAR 14th and You St. N.W.

Only the latest and best films shown here.

Open 6 to 10:30 P.

SUNDAY'S FEATURE

Tracked by Wireless

A thrilling and sensational 3-reel Warner picture. Also two others. Very interesting and instructive feature reels. Special attention given to ladies and children.

From School to "Movie" Roles



ARTHUR JOHNSTON,
Star in Lubin Pictures.

Victoria Theater Shows The "Toll of Fear" Today

The Victoria Theater, at 355 Seventh street northwest, announces for its leading attraction today a stirring new drama entitled "The Toll of Fear," with Roman Fielding in the leading role. There will also be two other new reels to round out the program.



Scene From "The Toll of Fear."

This theater is open from 3 until 10:30 p. m. on Sundays, and from 6:30 until 10:30 on week days. Special attention is given to ladies and children and an air of refinement prevails at all times.

The modern cooling plant which has been installed in this house makes it a delightful place to rest and "cool off" on warm days.

A Glad Welcome At "The Welcome"

The Welcome Theater, 929 Four-and-a-half street southwest, has been named after the policy of the house, which is to make everybody feel that he or she is a guest of the house and that every possible effort is being made to provide such entertainment that a return "call" will be anxiously anticipated.

So well has this policy been carried out by the courtesy shown, the comfort and the high-grade pictures that it is attracting patrons far outside of the immediate vicinity in which it is located.

Even when no special features are announced in advance the regular patrons of the Welcome know that a program of excellence is always awaiting them.

Scenic Theatre 1305 Wisconsin Ave. N. W.

(The Home of Perfect Projection.)

Four Specials Every Week

SUNDAY, MAY 11,

The Web, 2 parts—Vitaphone.

MONDAY, MAY 12,

A Fugitive at Bay, 2 parts—Cine.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14,

The Artist's Great Madonna, 2 parts—Vitaphone.

FRIDAY, MAY 16,

An Exciting Honeycomb, 2 parts—Pathe.

Pathe Weekly Every Sunday

Thrilling War Drama Billed at Carolina

The Sunday headliner at the Carolina motion picture theater, Eleventh and North Carolina avenue southeast, will feature the popular actor, Crane Wilbur, in a stirring drama entitled "In Days of War." This film is said to be one of the most thrilling of its kind.



Scene From "In Days of War."

ever shown. The action is rapid, event following event in rapid succession, and has a strong heart interest.

At the Carolina four reels are shown daily and the program is changed every day.

That the programs are well selected and pleasing to the patrons of the Carolina is evidenced by the constantly increasing size of the audience.

Kinemacolor Expert Films Czar at Moscow

Robert Olsson, the Swedish Kinemacolor expert, has just returned from Moscow, where he successfully filmed the Czar and Crown Prince of Russia during their recent visit to the famous old capital. Mr. Olsson is also credited with the pictures of the Swiss and Norwegian scenes and "Life in Lapland," which has been so popular with patrons of the Kinemacolor film service.

He will join Alfred Gorden on a trip to California, where they will film the Kinemacolor stock companies in a new series of popular photoplays, prepared by Lee Dougherty.

The Victoria 505 7TH ST. S. W.

The Theatre Where Only First-Class Pictures Are Shown.

Open Daily 6:30 to 10:30.

ADMISSION, 5c.

Open Sunday, 3 to 10:30.

Adults, 10c; Children, 5c.

Sunday's Feature,

THE TOLL OF FEAR

Romaine Fielding as the

Leading Character.

3 Reels Daily

and Changed Every Day.

Eastern Theater Will Present Strong Drama

For today the Eastern Theater has secured one of the most intense dramas ever presented through the medium of moving pictures. It is entitled "A Traitor to His Country," and will be shown in three reels.

It deals with realistic scenes of warfare between two great European countries, and involves the love affairs of Helga, the beautiful daughter of the premier of one of the nations, and Adjutant Emerson, in the military service of its enemy.

The gayety and grandeur of the premier's ball is shown, which is suddenly and startlingly interrupted with the news of the outbreak of hostilities. Then follows a rapid series of thrilling events, halfbreath escapes, daring feats, cutting of telegraph wires, destruction of government signal station, charging of troops, scuttling of the boats of the invaders by Helga, who is actively at work spying on the enemies of her country.

When her lover is captured she helps him to escape, but finally she is captured as a spy, but the devoted adjutant, at the moment when sentence is to be pronounced upon her, comes into the room and heroically declares that he is the culprit, although his own testimony brands him as a traitor.

The story closes with a powerful



Scene From "A Traitor to His Country."

The Star Theater Now Provides Star Programs

Elaborate arrangements have been made to provide the Star Theater, Fourteenth and U streets northwest, with "Star" programs for every day this week.

The feature for today is a rousing drama, entitled "Tracked by Wireless," to be shown in three reels. Aside from its intense power this film is of educational value because of the insight it gives as to the wonderful possibilities of the use of the wireless and the accurate glimpses into its methods of operation.

A love story of deep heart interest runs through the drama and the action is rapid, culminating in a sensational dramatic climax.

During the week the following films will be featured: "On His Wedding Day," "Romance of a Fisherman," "Judge's Vindication," "Woman Who Did Not Care," "Sins of War," "Hide and Seek," "With Lee in Virginia," "Mutual Weekly," "Ghost Meets Ghost," "Women Who Knew."

Sunday feature, "Tracked By Wireless."

"House of Good Shows" Is Mt. Vernon Theater

The Mt. Vernon Theater, 918 Ninth street northwest, near the Public Library, has been nicknamed "The House of Good Shows" because of the fact that the latest and very best in film plays are shown there.

"Never too fast or too slow" is the strict rule of the house for projection of the pictures, and when thus shown on the radium gold screen, always produces satisfactory results. A notable increase in patronage has been the natural result. For a downtown theater, they have an unusually large number of "every-nighters," and this class of patrons is the mainstay of the up-to-date management of this attractive show house.

Hereafter the universal policy of admission will be 5 cents, including Sundays and holidays, and it is claimed that the high standard of the shows will be continued.

"SNOOKUMS"? Follow the Crowd

the Crowd

VIRGINIA THEATRE 9th St. bet. F and G

"SNOOKUMS"?

Washington Can Boast Of New Film Company

The Kalamora Film Company has been organized in this city under the general management of Jack Rogerson, who has done considerable work on the "legitimate" stage and has appeared with the Biograph, Vitaphone and other film companies. Mr. Rogerson is the leading man and he is ably supported by a corps of actors and actresses who have had experience in the speaking and silent drama.



JACK ROGERSON,
Manager Kalamora Film Company.

These include Mary Randolph, formerly leading woman with Jefferson, Hanford and Downing; Alice Bernard, ingenue lead; James R. S. Dickens, Bret Brehman, heavy; Willis Rockwell, Edward Vernon, formerly juvenile with Polk; Western Hollow, M. Hubert and others. The company works harmoniously and promises some good pictures.

The picture play now under preparation is entitled "In the Tolls," dealing with the fortifications of the Panama Canal, with several big dramatic and exciting situations. George H. Palmer, for many years stage manager with Henry W. Savage's companies, is at present directing the production. There will also be another director from one of the big film companies now in the field.

The Kalamora Film Company has got down to real business at once, and with such an earnest and exacting manager as Mr. Rogerson, it has a splendid outlook. Both the manager and directors fully appreciate the exceptional opportunities that Washington presents for its operations chiefly with that in view.

James R. S. Dickens is president of the company.

Maycroft Is Modern Open Air Theater

"The most up-to-date airside south of New York," is the assertion made by patrons of the Maycroft, an open-air moving picture theater at 61-63 H street northeast. Four reels are given every evening in the Maycroft, and ad-



THE MAYCROFT.

mission is never more than 5 cents. Many four-reel theaters charge more, it is stated.

Featured today is a Lubin film called "The School Principal." Arthur Johnston, the well-known actor, plays the leading character.

Gridiron Club Smoker.

The last meeting of the Gridiron Club will next October be held last night at the New Willard. Arthur Kroeck, of the Louisville Courier-Journal, was elected to active membership. A smoker followed the meeting.

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Polis



SADIE FONDELIER
Casino

Welcome to Chance Is Pictured by "Movies"

CHICAGO, May 11.—The Selig Polyscope Company has completed arrangements whereby, weather permitting, they will secure exclusive motion pictures of the much-heralded gala celebration in honor of Frank Chance's first Chicago appearance as a member of the American League ball club.

On May 17 the Peerless Leader will bring his New York Highlanders to Chicago. As Frank Chance is probably the most popular idol in organized baseball today, it is needless to say that the reception which will be accorded him by his Chicago friends will make a riot look like a pink tea.

"Safe and Sane" Board To Help Drama League

The committee on safe and sane celebration of Independence Day, of which Commissioner Rudolph is chairman, has decided to co-operate with the Drama League in organizing the folk festival proposed for the coming Fourth of July.

Plans will therefore go forward under this combination of forces.

Drama League members have been urged to give their individual assistance to the fullest degree. Subscriptions of \$1 to \$5 or more have already been requested and generous response has been made. Members who have not subscribed, however, are reminded of their opportunity. Checks should be made payable to Edward C. Dean, treasurer of the festival fund, and mailed to his address, 1465 I street northwest, as soon as possible.

Volunteers for service in the work of organization are also desired, and are requested to send their names to Miss Ethel Smith, 1822 Vernon street northwest, Washington.

The Carolina 11th and N. Carolina Ave. S. E.

Follow the crowds to this new theatre.

The most sanitary theatre in the city showing licensed pictures.

Sunday Headliner,
IN DAYS OF WAR,
Featuring CRANE WILBUR

4 Reels Daily and change of programme every day.

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OLLIE ODEN
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Excellent Production At Virginia Theater

The Virginia Theater is presenting regularly selected shows from every corner of the earth, including the very best classics.

Baseball at Academy.

At the Academy, this afternoon, the "Perfect" scoreboard will be in operation, and the game in St. Louis will be reproduced. The "Perfect" scoreboard is one of the most complete boards, showing every play in detail, as well as displaying a box score as the game progresses. A special wire has been installed, and each play will be reproduced the instant it is received. The management will take special care of the ladies. Tickets will be 10 and 20 cents. The game will start at 4 o'clock, Washington time.

SCENE FROM LIFE OF KOHNER.

This week a decided novelty is promised in the form of a stupendous production of the life of the illustrious Theodore Kohner in three parts, showing 1,000 German cavalrymen in action. This picture is considered to be one of the best war dramas of the day, and is highly commended.

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Mabel Taliaferro Takes Part in Benefit Play

Miss Mabel Taliaferro, who has been visiting friends in Washington for the past fortnight, is to be the principal in the play, "The Dumb Cake," which is to be given under the management of Mrs. Christian D. Hemmick, for the benefit of Neighborhood House on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of this week, with an extra matinee on Saturday afternoon, at the Playhouse.

The play is a translation from the German, and was produced by Charles Frohman in London not long since. It tells prettily the story of the "dumb cake," which is baked on Halloween, and used by the German means as a charm. Maria, a pathetic little flower of a girl, has been an inmate of an almshouse, where she has been compelled to care for an invalid mother. For thirteen years she has not passed out through the archedway leading to the institution. An old woman who makes fires and cleans up the wards has told Maria the "dumb cake," and has encouraged the girl to make it. At midnight the girl wakes to find, as in the legend, that a man has come to turn the cake, drink the ale, and blow out the candle. It happens, however, that the man is a burglar, though the girl believes that in him she has seen her future husband. He induces her to believe that it is all a dream, and the play ends in the redemption of the burglar.

With Miss Taliaferro will be Miss Ada Deaves, who was last seen in Washington in "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," and Edwin Houston, who supported Percy Harvell in vaudeville early this season.

Columbia Players Get Good Director

With the reporting of Harry Andrews to the Columbia Theater to take up his position as stage director, the Columbia Players will have one of the most capable artists in this important branch of the production field. Mr. Andrews, who comes direct from Salt Lake City, where he has made an enviable reputation for himself, is well known in this city for excellent work with other companies, and there is no questioning the fact that his delight in returning to this city will be reciprocated by the many friends he has here.

An essential feature of his connection with the Columbia will be the free hand that will be given him in making the future productions at that house surpass all their predecessors in magnificence of stage settings, costumes and attention to detail. This will be apparent in the first of the plays to be put on by him, "The Road to Yesterday," which he promises still to reveal to Washington theatergoers.

Comes Sunday Concert.

Two movements from Massenet's "Societe Alsacienne," "Sunday Morning" and "At the Inn," selections from Caryl's "Oh! Oh! Delphine," Ellensberg's "Idyll of the Swallow River," overture, "Romantic" selections from Ponchielli's "La Gioconda," Schlegel's "Carnival Overture," Modugno's characteristic "By the Swallow River," and Faubert's "Woman's Love" waltzes, are some of the brilliant numbers of the orchestral program to be given by the full orchestra of the Cosmos Theater, under the direction of Prof. Arthur Wainwright, at the concert which begins today at 8 and continues until 10:30 p. m. Supplementing the orchestral features will be a varied program of vocal and instrumental offerings by high class talent engaged especially for the occasion.

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